

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
v.
AL SHARIF MCGRIFF

: Hon. Freda L. Wolfson
: 08-cr-00315-FLW
: ORDER FOR CONTINUANCE

This matter having come before the Court on the application of Christopher J. Christie, United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey (Jacob T. Elberg, Assistant U.S. Attorney, appearing), and defendant AL SHARIF MCGRIFF (Joseph R. Donahue, Esq., appearing), for an order granting a continuance of the proceedings in the above-captioned matter; and the defendant being aware that he has the right under Title 18 United States Code, Section 3161(c) to have the matter go to trial within 70 days of the filing date of an indictment or information; and the defendant through his attorney having waived such rights and consented to the continuance; and for good and sufficient cause shown,

IT IS THE FINDING OF THIS COURT that this action should be continued for the following reasons:

1. Plea negotiations currently are in progress, and both the United States and the defendant desire additional time to enter the plea in Court, which would thereby render trial of this matter unnecessary.
2. Defendant has consented to the aforementioned continuance.
3. The grant of a continuance will likely conserve judicial resources.

4. Pursuant to Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 3161(h)(8)(A), the ends of justice served by granting the continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

WHEREFORE, it is on this 20th day of October 2008,

ORDERED that the proceedings in the above-captioned matter are continued for sixty (60) days from October 28, 2008 to December 27, 2008; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the period between October 28, 2008 and December 27, 2008, shall be excludable in computing time under the Speedy Trial Act of 1974. Trial is scheduled for January 12, 2009.


HON. FREDA L. WOLFSON
United States District Court Judge

Consented and Agreed to by:


Al Sharif McGriff

Date: 11/12/08


Joseph P. Donahue, Esq.
Attorney for Al Sharif McGriff

Date: 11/14/08


Jacob T. Elberg
Assistant U.S. Attorney

Date: 11/14/08